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Mr. Carl B. Spaeth
The Ford Foundation
Board on Overseas Training
and Research
575 Madison Avenue
New York 22, New York

Dear Mr. Spaeth:

Thank you for your letter of August 21 and its cordial invitation. I shall make every effort to get to your conference in New York on October 7.

Since I cannot be sure of staying for the entire session, however, I am asking [redacted] to whom you know, and [redacted] to attend as my representatives. Both of these gentlemen are conversant with our needs for specialists in this area.

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Sincerely,

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Allen W. Dulles
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. DULLES:

[redacted] was on leave from the Office of Training from January to the first of July this year to serve on the staff of the Ford Foundation Board on Overseas Training and Research, in Mr. Spaeth's Division of Overseas Activities. [redacted] was invited to serve in this capacity by Mr. Spaeth and Mr. John Weiss, Secretary of the Board, and his leave was approved by Mr. Baird, after conversation with Mr. Wisner, in the belief that this experience would be mutually beneficial. [redacted] was asked to investigate the possibilities of drawing into the Board's research program on Asia and the Near East more candidates from Government, Labor, and Business. He reported to the Board in June that not many applicants could be expected from Business for a scholarly fellowship program in area-and-language research, but that the corporations having interests overseas were very much interested in the problem of finding men who are better qualified to undertake overseas assignments, and he recommended that the Board assist in developing training centers for Americans planning to live, work and study abroad.

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A reply to Mr. Spaeth's earlier letter is attached for your
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